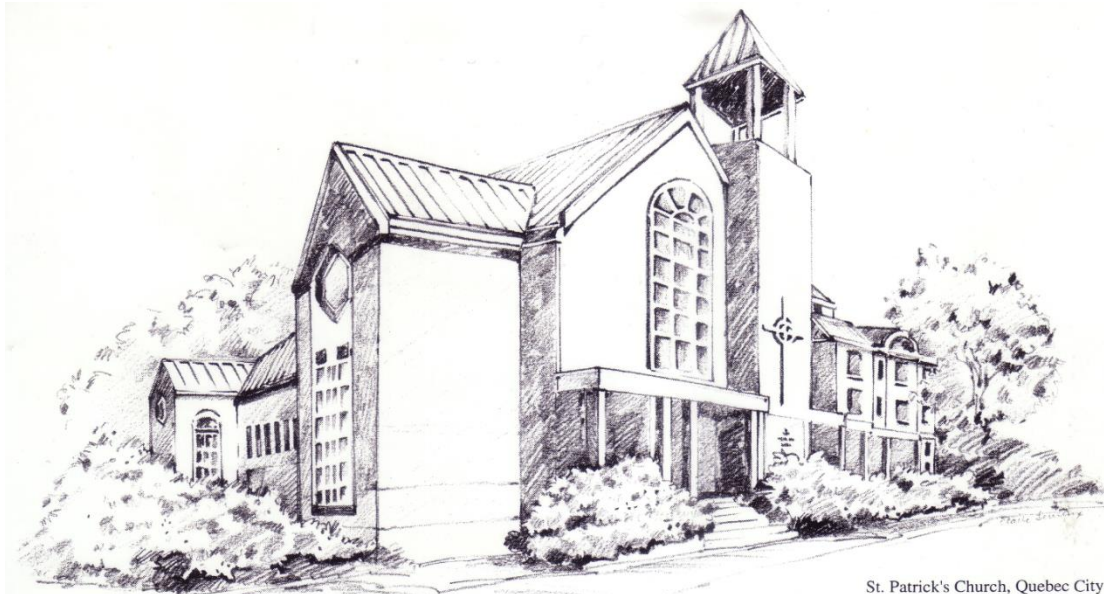


# St Patrick's Parish Bulletin



St. Patrick's Church, Quebec City

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While honouring its Irish heritage, St. Patrick's Parish has a unique mission to live and share the teachings of Jesus Christ with Roman Catholics who worship in the English language in the Diocese.

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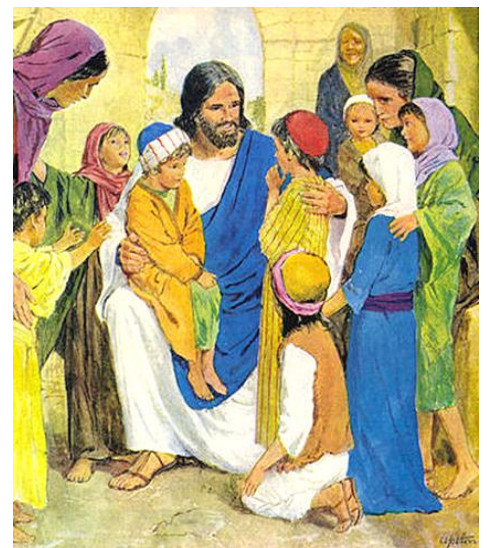
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**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time, October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021**

In today's Gospel, the people were bringing their children to Jesus, and again Jesus' disciples show that they just don't get it. Recall that in the Gospel for each of the past two Sundays, Jesus has taught his disciples the value and importance of these "little ones". Yet the disciples try to prevent people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus reprimands his disciples and welcomes these children. Again Jesus offers these children as an example of the kind of complete trust and dependence upon God that ought to be the attitude of all believers.



Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." (Mark 10, 2-16)

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The amount for the last week's collection for the Mass and Funeral is \$1331.50. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	October 2 <sup>nd</sup> (16:00)	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time		
Sunday	October 3 <sup>rd</sup> (10:00)	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time	Charles & Whanita Pleasance	Diane Pleasance
Monday	October 4 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday	October 5 <sup>h</sup> (11:30)		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Wednesday	October 6 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)			
Thursday	October 7 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Friday	October 8 <sup>th</sup>		<b>No Mass</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday	October 9 <sup>th</sup> (16h00)	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time		
Sunday	October 10 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time	Herman Murphy	Maureen Martineau

### Funeral Announcement

We celebrated the Funeral of Maureen Dinan-Buteau on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, at the church. Our Sincere condolences to the family and friends.

### Needy Box

We still have a box in the back of the church to receive your donations for the needy. Thank you

### **CWL Information**

The Annual General Meeting of all members is October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 to 3:30 in the church. Welcome to our two new members and welcome back to all our current members! Please bring your Amendments Documents and any questions you have. The executive will give updates and present draft Activities Schedule and Budget for Fall 2021. See you all there! Also, Quebec might host the 2023 National Convention.

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#### **«Let no one separate what God has joined»**

Today, the Pharisees want to put Jesus to the test again, and they propose him the question of divorce. But, instead of giving them a definite answer, Jesus asks them in return what the Scriptures say and, without criticizing Moses' Law, makes them understand that while that Law is legitimate, it is only temporal: «Moses wrote this law for you, because you are stubborn» (Mk 10:5).

Jesus reminds them what the Genesis says: «But in the beginning of creation God made them male and female» (Mk 10:6; cf. Gn 1:27). Jesus speaks here of the unity of Humankind. Man will leave father and mother and will join his wife, and the two shall become one flesh to form Mankind. This represents a new reality: Two human beings form a unity, not as an “association”, but as generator of Humanity. The conclusion is quite evident: «Let no one separate what God has joined» (Mk 10:9).

If we look at marriage as an association, its indissolubility cannot be apprehended. If marriage is just a matter of associated interests, we can then understand its dissolution may appear as legitimate. In this case, to speak of marriage is actually abusing the language, because it refers only to the association of two single persons that have decided to make their lives more pleasant. When the Lord speaks of marriage He is referring to something else. The Vatican II Council reminds us: «For the good of the spouses and their off-springs as well as of society, the existence of the sacred bond no longer depends on human decisions alone. For, God Himself is the author of matrimony, endowed as it is with various benefits and purposes. All of these have a very decisive bearing on the continuation of the human race» (Gaudium et spes, n. 48).

Back home, the Apostles asked him again about the demands of marriage, and this is followed by the tender scene with the infants. Both passages are related. The second lesson is like a parable that explains how the marriage is possible. The Kingdom of God is for those that become as infants and accept to build something new. And marriage is the same if we have really understood what it actually means, that is: to leave, to join and to become.

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#### **Prayer to prepare us to celebrate the special year which Pope Francis has dedicated to the “The Joy of Love” in family, the title of this day two: Saint Joseph, a man of Joy**

Our reflection today is on Saint Joseph as a man of joy. We pray for all families in our parish: that they will know that the joy of love they share in marriage and family life, is also a source of great joy for the Church.

The love of a father for his children and his wife is captured beautifully in the life of St. Joseph. Even though he is mentioned a number of times in the Gospel accounts of Matthew and Luke, no words of his are recorded. What mattered was that Joseph was there, present to Mary and Jesus, always ready to listen, to encourage, to protect, to provide and to love.

In the well known piece of Scripture from Corinthians we read: “Now faith, hope, and love remain - these three things - and the greatest of these is love.” (1 Corinthians 13:13)

We conclude this day two of Prayer for this special Year on the Family, by offering you a short reflection from Pope Francis from ‘The Joy of Love’:

**“The Joy of Love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church.” (Amoris Laetitia, 1)**

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